

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 3, with:

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The glossiness of the recording medium of the present invention can be measured using any suitable technique. For example, the glossiness of the present invention can be measured in terms of the 75° specular gloss, ~~e.g.~~, according to JIS P 8142, or an equivalent U.S. standard, using a gloss photometer, for example, a VGS-1001, manufactured by Nihon Denshoku Kogyosha, a Hunter 75° Gloss Meter, a Technidyne Glossmeter (e.g., Model T480A), or the like. Other suitable test methods can be used to determine glossiness, for example, ASTM, TAPPI, or the like. When TAPPI is used, it is preferably TAPPI T480. When ASTM is used, it is preferably ASTM D1223.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 24, with:

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Desirably, the recording medium of the present invention is calendered to provide a glossier coating. The recording medium preferably has a 75° specular gloss of at least about 15%, more preferably at least about 25%, even more preferably at least about 35%, and still more preferably at least about 45%. In a preferred embodiment, the recording medium of the present invention, when calendered, has a 75° specular gloss of at least about 50%. In some instances, depending on the substrate, the coating ~~composition~~ composition, the nature of the coating composition, and the method of applying the coating to the substrate, the recording medium of the present invention, when calendered, can have a glossiness is of at least about 55%, and even at least about 65%.